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Province to investigate basic-wage system

May Warren
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Ontario is moving forward with exploring the idea of a basic minimum income, something that could be a big win for millennials, according to one University of Toronto expert.

The province announced last week it was appointing former senator Hugh Segal to report back by fall on what a pilot basic minimum income project could look like.

There aren't many details on what exactly the province is planning, but the idea is to provide eligible people with a minimum level of income.

"For young people, a guaranteed level with no questions asked might actually be a good thing, instead of social assistance," said Rodney Haddow, associate chair and director of undergraduate studies in the department of political science at the University of Toronto.

"Because they're dealt with rather more sceptically, very often, by social assistance regimes than anybody else is."

Young people who are between school and work typically don't qualify for employment insurance benefits, and the welfare system doesn't want to disincentive them to work, he added.

Haddow said the idea of a basic minimum income has been around since the 1960s, but there are wildly different models out there at both ends of the political spectrum.

A more conservative version suggests using it to replace other social services, while a more liberal one sees the income being large enough for people to live relatively comfortably without working.

Twenty-three-year-old Zack Medow is writing a book on how to make democracy stronger and is devoting a chapter to guaranteed minimum income, which he thinks would help millennials become more independent.

"It's no coincidence that the most debt laden generation in our history is the one that everyone jokes about as being unable to leave their parents' homes," he said.

Rachel Lissner, a member of the Young Urbanists League, which meets to discus civic-minded issues, said she was excited about the idea at first, and even held a "basic minimum income and chill" night to discuss it.

But now the 27-year-old is unsure, and worries it might end in some social services being streamlined or cut.

"I have so many questions," she said.

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau waves at the Toronto Pride parade on Sunday.
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Ontario's 'epidemic of Islamophobia'

INTOLERANCE

Poll measures perceptions of ethnicity and immigration

While Canada rides a wave of global praise for welcoming Syrian refugees, a new poll suggests we're also facing a wave of something sinister — Islamophobia.

The survey by polling firm MARU/VCR&C measured public perceptions of ethnicity and immigration in Ontario in the wake of the recent influx of thousands of Syrian refugees — almost 12,000 to this province alone.

"There is an epidemic of Islamophobia in Ontario. Only a third of Ontarians have a positive impression of the religion and more than half feel its mainstream doctrines promote violence (an anomaly compared to other religions)," said the 51-page survey to be released this week by the Ontario Council of Agencies Serving Immigrants and advocacy group Mass Minority. "These sentiments are echoed with Syrian refugees in Ontario where acceptance often coincides with acceptance of Islam."

Ontario has seen a number of recent incidents targeting Muslims. A woman wearing a hijab was attacked at a supermarket in London in June and a Western University student from Iran was beaten by two men who taunted him and told him to go back to his country. Also, in June, an anti-immigrant group rooted in Germany held an anti-Muslim protest in Toronto.

While the survey's respondents agreed that immigrants play a valuable role in society (72 per cent) and are an important part of our cultural identity (71 per cent), three-quarters of the survey participants said we need to focus on taking care of the people "here" instead of spending resources on refugees.

"Taken together, this suggests that Ontarians see non-immigrants as more entitled to social care. This entitlement is, in some ways, a contradiction given the inherent value that immigration offers," said the poll of 1,009 Ontarians conducted in May.

The survey was funded by the province and the City of Toronto for its recently launched public awareness campaign on Islamophobia, which has sparked heated debate over its provocative posters, seen by some as reinforcing stereotypes and fuelling tensions.

The research was commissioned to take a snapshot of attitudes and perception towards immigrants and ethnic minorities as a benchmark to assess the effectiveness of the multimedia campaign. A follow-up survey is planned after 12 months.

While 46 per cent of Ontarians feel Canada admits too many immigrants, 45 per cent said they welcomed the right amount.

"Less educated and rural Ontarians over-index on feelings that Canada accepts too many immigrants," the report said.

Three-in-five residents in the province supported Ottawa's decision to accept Syrian refugees while one-fifth of all respondents said they have participated in welcoming Syrians to Canada in various ways from donating money to furniture, volunteering and participating in a sponsorship group.

Results are considered accurate within three points, 19 times out of 20.

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RESPONSES

46%: Canada allows too many immigrants;
45%: Canada allows the right amount of immigrants;
74%: We need to take care of people "here" instead of refugees;
55%: Islam promotes violence;
71%: infrastructure and public services will suffer with more refugees;
53%: Only support admission of immigrants with shared values to ours;
74%: Support restricting immigration

Humans of Toronto by K. Omar

"Getting my acceptance letter from university was a fond memory. It was one of the first things that I accomplished by myself. I knew I wanted to come to Toronto, and I actually came down, did my research and got my art together. I felt like I accomplished something coming here, where I feel more comfortable surrounded by all the people. It's always lively, and I have connected to this city.

Humans of Toronto is K. Omar's social photography project aimed at photographing and talking to people in the city. Selections from her work feature weekly in Metro. See more at Humans of Toronto on Instagram.

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Pride month raises the bar

Sunday's parade capped a month-long run of events

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A month of festivities wrapped up with thousands taking part in Sunday's Pride parade, including, top left, Premier Kathleen Wynne, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and Mayor John Tory.

'We've shown that love conquers hate'

Gilbert Ngabo
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Let Pride be an everyday reality.

That's the spirit Pride Toronto organizers and LGBTQ activists are carrying forward, following a month-long run of events that were capped off at Sunday's parade.

"After such success you really feel like the sky is the limit," said Mathieu Chantelois, Pride Toronto's executive director. "We raised the bar high, and we have to keep raising it even higher."

Pride Month saw a host of events take place across the city, from panel discussions about human rights to artistic performances, all in support of LGBTQ communities.

Sunday's parade marked the first time in Canadian history a sitting country leader marched in the gay parade.

The parade paid a particular respect to last month's Orlando attack victims, with revellers holding banners of names and ages of those killed in the attack. The parade observed a moment of silence at 3 p.m.

Chantelois said the tragic event served as a reality check for the LGBTQ communities all over the world.

"We've shown that love conquers hate," he said.

Keeping the spirit of Pride throughout the year will mean a continued fight against bullying, a creation of stronger groups of support and working together for a safe world of diverse sexual orientations, gender identities and gender expressions, he said.

It's the same spirit expressed by other people at the parade.

"It's a very good thing to feel this way all the time. People don't need to worry about who they are or who they love," said Kelly French.

Ken Dawson, who came to the parade with his wife Janess and son Ryan, said the best way to keep the Pride spirit high is to have a regular reflection on what it means to be free.

"We should take a little bit of this Pride feeling into every week," he said.

"It's about being open and keeping the positive conversation going," said Mike Gibben, another Pride parade reveller. "We have to accept that it's OK to be different."

Daryna Kutsyna hopes to encourage more women to become actively involved in politics.
LIZ BEDDALL/METRO

It's still no country for young women

POLITICS

Summit seeks to pick up pace of inclusion in halls of power

Gilbert Ngabo
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At just 20 years old, Daryna Kutsyna knows full well the many obstacles women face in politics.

"Probably the biggest barrier for young women is the lack of support for their political ambitions," said the fourth-year political-science and international relations student at the University of Toronto.

"It leads to many young women not seeing themselves as qualified to hold elected positions. That's why we are nowhere near gender parity in politics."

Kutsyna's ambition is to change that. She's vying for one of the 338 spots available nationwide to participate in next year's Daughters Of The Vote summit. It's a leadership program designed to change the face of politics by increasing young women's participation.

The initiative was developed by Equal Voice, a national organization dedicated to promoting the election of more women into Canada's legislature.

The group says women representation in the House of Commons has "crawled up" by only between 1-3 per cent over the past five elections. As the country marks its 150th anniversary and 100 years since women gained the right to vote, women hold only about 26 per cent of seats in the House.

"That is totally unacceptable in 2016," said Nancy Peckford, executive director of Equal Voice, who also noted only about 18 per cent of all mayors across the country are female.

"We have to encourage more young women to see themselves into the political life of our country."

The summit will serve as a networking opportunity for young women and a place to share ideas to build the country's political future, she said. Participants will be expected to return to their communities and help spread the political fever to younger generations, she said.

"Women can't just stay at the community level anymore," she said. "There has to be more networks allowing women to excel in everything, including politics."

CRIME

Shooting victims identified

Police have identified two people killed in a shooting at an unlicensed after-hours club at College and Augusta Avenue Friday morning. They say 42-year-old Justin Andrew Bokma was shot and killed there at about 5 a.m.; 41-year-old Lafrance (Frank) Matthews was shot and taken to hospital, where he died.

Two other men, 45 and 34, received non-life-threatening injuries. Police ask anyone who was there to come forward.

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PAROLE

Woman who killed child given parole

An Ontario woman who started a family with another inmate and earned two degrees while serving a life sentence for killing a child has been granted day parole.

Amina Chaudhary, 54, was released to a halfway house last month but efforts to have her deported may mean she'll be detained by immigration officials.

Chaudhary was convicted in 1984 of killing her former lover's eight-year-old nephew but maintains her innocence to this day.

She met her husband, Anees Chaudhary (a convicted murderer) while in pre-trial custody.

Chaudhary was also released on day parole for six months in 2012 but spent that time in custody on a deportation order, which immigration officials have not been able to enforce because neither India nor the U.K. will issue her travel documents.

Her case has been taken on by the Innocence Project at York University's Osgoode Hall.

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INFRASTRUCTURE

Feds eye selling off Pearson, other airports, for top dollar

A "For Sale" sign could be going up at Pearson International Airport.

The federal government is looking at selling off Canada's major airports to private investors to raise tens of billions of dollars for infrastructure.

Transport Canada bureaucrats are reviewing the ownership structure of Canadian airports, now operated by not-for-profit airport authorities, to assess the possibilities of transferring them to for-profit enterprises — and collect a windfall in the process.

Airport operators are nervous, fearing federal Liberals are in a rush to cash in on the value of Canadian airports without properly weighing the potential impacts on travellers.

"If you went to this model, my experience tells me in five years you would not recognize Canadian airports," said Craig Richmond, the chief executive officer of the Vancouver Airport Authority.

"You would see cutbacks on maintenance, cleaning, you would see them become much more crowded because (of) the pressures on the management to deliver that return," he said.

The Liberals were elected last fall on a promise to deliver big-ticket infrastructure spending. Their March budget confirmed they are considering public pension plans and other "innovative" funding sources, such as asset recycling, to help fund that program.

Pearson — Canada's busiest airport with 41 million passengers a year — would rank as a plum catch for private investors. For now, its executives are considering the potential options but strike a cautious tone about changes.

"Changing the ownership structure is a complex matter that requires careful consideration by all affected stakeholders," Howard Eng, president and CEO of the Greater Toronto Airports Authority, said in a statement.

Airport operators say if concerns about the cost of air travel are driving the change, they are not to blame. Instead, they say Ottawa's policy of forcing passengers to pay the entire cost of air travel — with no contributions from general revenues — has pushed prices skyward.

And they note that airports pay rent to Ottawa — some $5 billion since 1992 and at least another $12 billion more over the next 40 years, according to Emerson's report.

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Feds considering sell-off to raise money. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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‘There is an empty seat at the table’

ETOBICOKE SHOOTING

Victim’s mom remembers Candice Rochelle Bobb

Candice Rochelle Bobb, above left with her sister Monique, in family photos. ALL PHOTOS CONTRIBUTED

The Bobb family was crowded inside Sunnybrook’s Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, encircling Kyrie’s small body. Everyone had come to say goodbye.

Many had already spent three weeks of long days and sleepless nights in the NICU, taking shifts keeping vigil at the premature baby’s side. During his short life, he had been alone just once; nurses assured them they would keep extra close watch while Kyrie’s family buried his mother.

In the wake of the May 15 Etobicoke shooting that killed Candice Rochelle Bobb, Kyrie had been a source of hope and of sorrow. Delivered from his mother’s body by emergency C-section, he was a miracle. Lying in a tangle of cords hooked to machines, he made a senseless tragedy more unthinkable.

Born at just 24 weeks, Kyrie’s lungs were dangerously underdeveloped, and although his initial vital signs were promising, doctors warned they could be misleading: 24 to 72 hours after a premature birth is sometimes called the honeymoon period. After that, complications can arise.

“It was always touch and go,” Bobb’s mother, Jackie Weir, said in an interview, her first since Bobb’s death. “He had good days and he had bad days.”

But Kyrie’s bad days worsened and his odds of survival plummeted. On June 5, as the city was pummeled by a vicious spring downpour, relatives congregated at Kyrie’s hospital room, knowing he had just hours to live.

Together they held him, prayed for him, sang “Jesus Loves Me.” And Kyrie died as his mother lived, supported by family and surrounded by love.

Just before 11 p.m. on Sunday, May 15, Bobb was part of a group returning from a recreational basketball game in Scarborough, among them her boyfriend, who is Kyrie’s father, his cousin and a teammate.

As the car stopped near north Etobicoke’s Jamestown Cres. and John Garland Blvd. to let out a passenger, the vehicle was suddenly hit by a stream of bullets. Sitting in the back seat, Bobb was the only occupant hit.

The driver raced toward Etobicoke General Hospital, where doctors performed the emergency caesarean section. Bobb, 33, was pronounced dead.

Her aunt Natasha was the first to get the news among Bobb’s sprawling family, which includes her parents, five siblings and a network of aunts, uncles and cousins.

Just eight years between them, Bobb and Natasha had grown up together, and Natasha was one of Bobb’s best friends.

As often as possible, the family talks about “Roro.”

About how as a kid she rarely smiled, but grew up to be a jokester who mastered impressions.

“We laugh a lot, tell funny stories. Remember the fun,” Natasha said.

“My goal is to not have her defined by May 15. She lived for 33 years and six months before that, and they were great years.”

Among the things the Bobb family will miss most is her talent for bringing people together. She was the unofficial family organizer, scheduling bowling night and barbecues.

“There is an empty seat at the table,” said Weir, who pins to her petite frame a brooch with her daughter’s photo. “She’s never coming back. We have been handed a life sentence.”

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- The family has set up a trust for Bobb’s children. Donations can be made at any CIBC branch.
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$52-per-ride subsidy for airport express

TRANSIT

Troubled train slashed hefty prices to help fill empty seats

The province subsidized passengers on the troubled Union Pearson Express last year at a rate of $52.26 per ride.

The astounding sum was revealed in an annual report that came before the Metrolinx board last week. (According to the TTC, its passengers receive a per-ride subsidy of just 90 cents, almost all of which comes from the city.)

The regional transit agency, which has faced fierce criticism over the $456-million air-rail link, did not explicitly publish the per-ride subsidy. But calculations based on ridership numbers and operating expenditures that the agency did make public reveal the extent to which the UPX's costs exceeded its revenues in its first 10 months of operation.

"It demonstrates a complete lack of competent planning," said Coun. Josh Matlow (Ward 22, St. Paul's), who in 2014 brought a motion to council asking Metrolinx to set the UPX fare at an "affordable" rate. "To subsidize a boutique train focused on business travellers is a real slap in the face to Toronto residents."

The UPX launched June 6, 2015 and was designed to provide air travellers with a quick trip between Pearson airport and Union Station. But with the price of a ride set at $27.90 — $19 with a Presto card — the line was often running mostly empty trains.

Asked about the per-ride subsidy, Metrolinx spokesperson Anne Marie Aikins said, "We always expected the service to require a subsidy for the first few years. That has not changed."

She noted that on March 9 the agency dramatically lowered UPX fares, to $9 with Presto and $12 without, which has led to a boost in ridership. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

The UPX launched June 6, 2015, to provide travellers with a quick trip between Pearson and Union Station. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

INNISFIL

Monkey top banana as primate evades police

South Simcoe Police officers went bananas on Sunday morning chasing a monkey, which was on the loose for two and a half hours in Innisfil.

Around 6:20 a.m., police received a call from a resident who spotted a monkey near his home. Officers arrived at the residential area and saw the monkey perched on a rooftop in the community of Alcona.

"The poor little girl, she was freaked out," said Sgt. James Buchanan.

Despite attempts to lure her with bananas, the nimble primate continued to make a monkey out of the officers by swinging from roof to roof and out of their clutches.

"She didn't want to make life easy," Buchanan said. "We had to call all the animal agencies."

It wasn't until around 10:45 a.m. that Bear Creek Animal Sanctuary was able to bait Mango into a cage with food.

The owner showed up shortly after, but Buchanan said they will continue to investigate the owner of this "mischievous monkey" and the "broken by-laws" associated with owning her. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

The monkey, named Mango, swung roof to roof for over two and a half hours Sunday morning. COURTESY SOUTH SIMCOE POLICE

HEALTH

Harm-reduction advocates applauding Naloxone access

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Local harm-reduction advocates are applauding the province's decision to make Naloxone, a drug that counters the effects of some drug overdoses, available without prescription. But they say the move is long overdue.

The Ontario government announced Wednesday it would make Naloxone available in pharmacies at no cost, in an effort to curb the rising number of overdose deaths.

Dennis Long, the executive director of Queen Street West's Breakaway Addiction Services, said the change has been needed for a long time.

"This is going to be a big deal," he said.

The drug can help people overdosing from opioid drugs such as fentanyl, morphine and heroin if it's given to them soon enough.

In the past, trained outreach workers have not been able to carry Naloxone in kits unless they had prescriptions, Long said.

He called the rise in overdoses a "crisis." A September Toronto Public Health report showed overdose deaths rose by 41 per cent in the city between 2004 and 2012.

The province is making Naloxone available to treat overdoses. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

> **This is going to be a big deal.**
> Dennis Long

"(Naloxone) won't necessarily address the root causes for overdoses, but it will give people who are experiencing an overdose a fighting chance to survive," Long said.

Debra Shaw, a harm reduction peer support worker, said having naloxone available could have made a difference for a friend of hers who died of an overdose just a few weeks ago after taking tainted heroin.

"It will save a lot of lives," she said.

Three locations in Toronto have also been proposed by the city as safe injection sites, another measure to curb overdose deaths.

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Elie Wiesel's loss mourned

COURAGE

Canadians grieve passing of Holocaust survivor

Many Canadians were mourning the death of Nobel Peace Prize winner, Holocaust survivor and author Elie Wiesel this weekend.

On social media, prominent Canadian politicians paid tribute to Wiesel, who was an advocate for victims of violence and oppression.

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau tweeted, "Elie Wiesel spent his life in service to humanity, keeping the memory of the Holocaust's horror alive. It is for us all to carry this torch."

Former prime minister Stephen Harper said he was "profoundly saddened" to hear that Wiesel died at the age of 87.

Harper said the world has lost a brilliant voice for "human dignity."

Former Ontario premier Bob Rae tweeted that he first heard Wiesel speak in 1969 and it made a lasting impression.

Elie Wiesel speaks at a We Day youth empowerment event in Toronto in 2009. THE CANADIAN PRESS

"Ever since then he has been for me a beacon of courage + hope," Rae wrote in a Twitter post.

Wiesel was memorialized Sunday at a private service in Manhattan. Family and friends gathered at Fifth Avenue Synagogue, praising Wiesel's endurance and eloquence and mourning him as one of the last firsthand witnesses to the Nazis' atrocities.

> **A nation is judged by its attitude towards refugees.**
> Elie Wiesel

The Romanian-born Wiesel is best known for his first book Night, which told the story of his experiences in the Auschwitz concentration camp.

As a scholar and political activist, Wiesel was no stranger to Canada.

In 2012, Wiesel joined a number of Jewish faith leaders in condemning Canada's cuts to health care for some refugee claimants.

A letter written by Wiesel to the then Conservative government that was obtained by The Globe and Mail stated, "Today, as yesterday, a nation is judged by its attitude towards refugees."

His words did not sway the Tories who also introduced policies barring refugees who were not brought to Canada directly by the government from getting supplemental health benefits.

Wiesel had made a number of appearances in Canada including speaking to Toronto youth at a We Day event in 2009.

A YouTube video from the event shows Wiesel addressing thousands of children and teens with a message of peace.

"Your freedom should never be at the expense of someone who has no freedom.... Do not let your hope be at the expense of another person's despair," he said. THE CANADIAN PRESS

IN BRIEF

Thieves get pincers on trailer of frozen lobster

New Brunswick RCMP ask people to look out for a stolen trailer loaded with frozen lobster.

Caraquet RCMP say video surveillance from a processing plant in Grand Anse shows a dark-coloured Volvo transport truck with Nova Scotia licence plates taking off with the tractor trailer Friday night.

The event follows the theft of roughly 2,100 kilograms of lobster in Nova Scotia earlier this year.

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Man jumps into river to avoid breathalyzer test

Quebec provincial police say a 29-year-old driver jumped in a river when he was asked to take a breathalyzer test early Sunday morning. He jumped in the river near the town of Scott, about 45 kilometres south of Quebec City. He was arrested several hours later after he was spotted walking down the same road wearing wet clothes. He is expected to face several charges.

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Fort Mac's emotional fallout

WILDFIRE

Firefighters battling guilt over properties lost, chief says

The man who led the battle against The Beast says many Fort McMurray firefighters are now wrestling a different set of demons.

Fire Chief Darby Allen says the emotional toll is hitting home for the crews who worked non-stop for days to beat back the ferocious wildfire that breached the northeastern Alberta city two months ago.

"They went through one of the most significant events that any firefighter could ever go through," Allen said in a recent interview at Fire Hall No. 1 in downtown Fort McMurray.

Counselling services have been offered from the beginning, but Allen said it's important that help is available for the long haul.

The blaze was so tough to subdue that Allen has likened it to a wild animal.

"It did seem to have a brain. It did seem to want to do things that we didn't want it to do. And whatever plan that we came up with, it seemed to come up with its own plan and fight us at every level."

In the end, about 10 per cent of the town was destroyed, with the majority of the Abasand, Beacon Hill and Waterways neighbourhoods reduced to rubble.

Now, one of the toughest emotions firefighters are battling is guilt, said Allen.

"You can't put all of the fire out and sometimes you have to give up an area to go on to another area," he said. "Sometimes you have to make decisions where you're going to lose certain properties to save other properties."

Many firefighters are beating themselves up because they feel like they could have done more. Some watched their own homes burn, but went back to work.

"The reality is we couldn't have done more," said Allen. "My job has been to reassure them that they've done everything they could and I do truly believe that there were some incredible efforts to save as many properties as we did."

In the city generally, it's a tough time emotionally for residents, said Mayor Melissa Blake.

Alberta Health Services did close to 13,000 counselling sessions between May 10 and June 28, said spokesman Kerry Williamson. THE CANADIAN PRESS

They wanted to stay and they couldn't stay.

Fire Chief Darby Allen, who says the call to pull firefighters out of some areas was a matter of life and death.

Children play under the watchful eye of a lifeguard at Kitsilano Pool in Vancouver in July 2012. A recent report from the Lifesaving Society shows one in five immigrant children don't know how to swim, sparking safety concerns. CHELSEA ALTICE/METRO FILE

REPORT

Immigrant kids lag in swimming skills

Wanyee Li
Metro | Vancouver

Immigrant tweens are more at risk of drowning, as almost one in five youth who were not born in Canada can't swim — yet the vast majority of them participate in water activities.

According to a recent report from the Lifesaving Society, 17 per cent of immigrant youth aged 11 to 14 don't know how to swim, compared to only three per cent of their Canadian-born counterparts.

That statistic doesn't surprise one Vancouver lifeguard.

"We very seldom have people who cannot speak English in our classes. Once in a while we do come across that barrier," said Anson Siu, aquatic leader at Killarney Community Centre.

Young adults, 20 to 24 years old, have one of the highest drowning rates among Canadians, with 46 deaths in 2015, according to that year's Canadian Drowning Report.

"If all school-aged children can learn basic swimming survival skills, we believe we can really reduce the number of drownings," said Barbara Byers, public educator at Lifesaving Society.

As many as 93 per cent of new Canadians aged 11 to 14 reported participating in activities on, around, or in water, according to the report, called The Influence of Ethnicity on Tweens Swimming & Water Safety in Canada.

Immigrant parents may not be aware of how important it is for children to know how to swim because there are a lot of big milestones to hit in those first years, Byers acknowledged.

"The priority, naturally, is to get a job, get a place to live and get their kids in school. They just may not realize that in order to swim, you need some instruction, you need some training."

Surveying immigrant youth also revealed potential cultural barriers when it came to swimming lessons, said Byers.

"Almost half of them said they didn't believe their parents would be comfortable swimming with someone of another gender."

BY THE NUMBERS

17%

17% of youth aged 11 to 14 who were not born in Canada reported not knowing how to swim.

93%

However, as many as 93% of them reported participating in water-related activities.

But community centres and other swimming pools try to be accommodating, pointed out Yvonne Comfort, general manager at the Tong Louie Family YMCA centre in Surrey. People can wear longer T-shirts or shorts to the pool if they prefer, for instance.

And Siu, who has worked as a lifeguard in Vancouver for 10 years, said language isn't always as big of a barrier as some think. Swimming instructors can teach using cues and games, especially with youth.

Swimming lessons are key in preventing drowning deaths, said Byers, who referred to a tragic statistic — about two-thirds of people who drown are within 15 metres from safety.

Lifesaving Society offers a crash course on water safety, called Swim to Survive, that teaches youth and families three basic skills: roll in deep water, tread water for one minute, and swim 50 metres.

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Car bomb kills 115

BAGHDAD

Children among victims in attack on shopping area

A suicide truck bomb in downtown Baghdad killed 115 people and wounded nearly 200 others who were out shopping and celebrating early Sunday ahead of the holiday marking the end of Ramadan, security and medical officials said.

The attack, claimed by Daesh (also known as the Islamic State group), was the deadliest in months in the Iraqi capital, and came despite a series of recent gains against the extremists, including the capture of Fallujah, which was believed to have been a source of such attacks.

The bomb went off shortly after midnight in a crowded shopping area in the central Karada district, killing at least 115 people and wounding 187, according to a police official. The dead included at least 15 children, 10 women and six policemen. At least 12 other people were still missing and feared dead.

Karada is a major commercial area lined with clothing and jewelry stores, restaurants and cafés, and was packed with shoppers ahead of Wednesday's Eid al-Fitr holiday marking the end of Ramadan. Most of the victims were inside a multi-storey shopping and amusement mall, where dozens burned to death or suffocated, police said.

It was the deadliest attack in Iraq since July 2015 and among the worst single bombings in more than a decade of war and insurgency.

"It was like an earthquake," said Karim Sami, a 35-year-old street vendor. "I wrapped up my goods and was heading home when I saw a fireball with a thunderous bombing," the father of three said.

"I was so scared to go back and started to make phone calls to my friends, but none answered." He said that one of his friends was killed, another was wounded and one was still missing.

As with many previous attacks, Daesh swiftly claimed responsibility for the bombing in a statement posted online, saying it had targeted Shiite Muslims. The authenticity of the statement could not be verified, but it was posted on a militant website commonly used by the extremists.

Firefighters and civilians could be seen carrying the dead away, their bodies wrapped in blankets and sheets. Smoke billowed from the shopping centre, which was surrounded by the twisted and burned wreckage of cars and market stalls. A group of women were sitting on the pavement, crying for their loved ones.

Elsewhere in Baghdad, a roadside bomb went off in the mostly Shiite Shaab neighbourhood, killing five people and wounding 16, another police officer said. No group claimed responsibility for the attack, but it bore the hallmarks of Daesh militants.

The Sunni extremists frequently target the country's Shiite majority and Shiite-led security forces, viewing them as apostates deserving of death.

Early Sunday evening, exhausted family members sat on sidewalks at the Karada site silently awaiting news of missing loved ones as others began to hang freshly printed death notices for the police officers and shop owners killed. Young people lit candles on street corners. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Iraqi women wait to hear about family members who went missing after a car bomb hit Karada, a busy shopping district in the centre of Baghdad on Sunday. HADI MIZBAN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

FURY

The attack fuelled anger toward Prime Minister Haider al-Abadi.

- When al-Abadi visited the site of the suicide blast, a furious mob surrounded his convoy, yelling expletives, hurling rocks and shoes and calling him a "thief."
- Many Iraqis blame their political leadership for lapses in security in Baghdad that have allowed large amounts of explosives to make their way past multiple checkpoints and into neighbourhoods packed with civilians.

IN BRIEF

Bangladesh hunts hostage crisis clues

Security officials searched on Sunday for evidence and the possible masterminds of the weekend hostage-taking in an upscale restaurant in Bangladesh's capital. The government has denied Daesh's claim of responsibility for the attack that left 28 dead, including six attackers. Police released the first names of five attackers, who they say belonged to the banned domestic group Jumatul Mujahedeen Bangladesh. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

PROBE

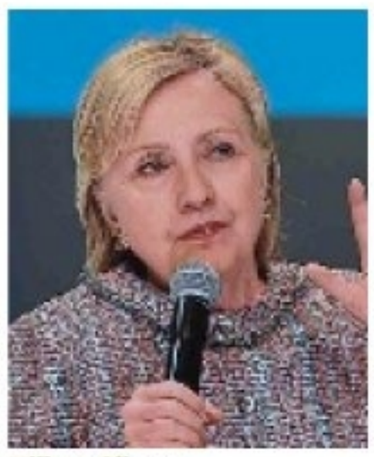
FBI questions Clinton on emails

Hillary Clinton's interview with the FBI may signal that the Justice Department is nearing the end of its yearlong probe of her use of a private email server while secretary of state, a controversy that has hung over her White House bid.

"I've been eager to do it, and I was pleased to have the opportunity to assist the department in bringing its review to a conclusion," Clinton said in describing the FBI session to NBC's Meet the Press for an interview that aired Sunday. She agreed that the tone of meeting with investigators had been civil and business-like.

Clinton said she had no knowledge of any timeline for the review and would not comment on whether she was given an indication that charges would not be filed.

The presumptive presidential nominee for the Democratic Party gave a voluntary interview for 3-1/2 hours Saturday at FBI headquarters in Washington, her campaign announced. Spokespeople for the FBI and the Justice Department declined to comment. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Hillary Clinton
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Montreal's Saint-Sulpice library, which opened in 1915 and is an important piece of Quebec's religious heritage, sat vacant for years as officials tried to determine an appropriate use for the building. The Quebec government announced a $17-million restoration project in early 2016. PHOTOS: ALLAN WOODS/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Hotel Dieu hospital is scheduled to shut down in 2016. The City of Montreal intends to buy the property and redevelop it into social housing but it will likely sit vacant until plans are developed and funds are raised.

Matchmaking for vacant buildings, Airbnb-style

MONTREAL

Group wants to fill spaces with temporary tenants

Toronto has tried cash rebates and Vancouver wants a tax. But in Montreal, a group of heritage buffs, urbanists and architects are importing a different approach to deal with the scourge of vacant buildings.

Where some see an eyesore, urban blight or a future condo tower, Mallory Wilson and Jonathan Lapalme see an elegant solution to a long-standing problem.

In May, they launched Entremise, a non-profit organization with the simply stated goal of connecting people in need of spaces with spaces in need of people.

Based on a concept that has already been developed in a number of European capitals, its time may have come in Quebec's largest city. Montreal has a glut of churches and religious buildings struggling to remain relevant or even to remain standing amid dwindling congregations.

The city also has several hospital buildings that are or will soon be sitting empty after services were merged at two recently built super-hospitals.

> **The idea of not letting a vacant building be vacated too long is an issue of safeguarding.** Dinu Bumbaru

"Those are huge building complexes. The idea of saying that we're going to figure out today what this entire space is going to look like is kind of crazy," Wilson said.

"What we'd like to show with a project like this is that you can do something in the buildings for 10 years and it's a lot easier, a lot simpler, a lot less investment than finding something 50 or more years down the line."

In the 1970s, heritage officials were preoccupied with the threat that culturally, historically or architecturally important structures would be demolished, said Dinu Bumbaru, policy director with Heritage Montreal. Now vacancy is the hazard.

"In 2016, we have realized that the big challenge is revitalization — to put heritage to good use," he said in an interview.

It makes sense in some locations to maintain a historic church, a 19th-century factory, or a stately home as a museum. But it can take many years and a small fortune to transform a surplus church into a public library or an abandoned factory into a trendy retail development.

And "built heritage," unlike museum artifacts, can't be stored away and protected from the ravages of time, Bumbaru said.

"A building is always exposed to the forces of nature and, to some extent, the forces of society. Vandalism is an issue. So are squatters," he said.

"The idea of not letting a vacant building be vacated too long is an issue of safeguarding."

That is the same pitch that Entremise is making to the owners of vacant properties in Montreal: that they will ultimately save money in repairs by welcoming in temporary tenants such as startup businesses, artist collectives or live-in renters to care for their building and flag potential problems in exchange for affordable rents.

"We are able to convince people of the value of the strategy very, very quickly," Lapalme said. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

TRAVEL

London calling to Canadians after Brexit

Travel companies say more Canadians are looking at vacations in the United Kingdom because of the dropping British pound in the wake of the country's decision to leave the European Union.

Melisse Hinkle of Cheapflights.ca says the travel website experienced a 50 per cent spike in searches for flights from Canada to the U.K. on the weekend after the June 23 vote and interest has been strong since.

"Savvy travellers have realized that, while the long-term impact of the Brexit means big changes for travel to and within Europe, there is an immediate opportunity for more affordable travel," she said in an email.

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Senior economist Royce Mendes of CIBC says he expects the pound to drop to C$1.70 over the next three months due to political uncertainty.

Hinkle attributed the spike in interest to the drop in the pound's value against the loonie, making everything from London flights to West End theatre tickets cheaper for Canadians.

The British pound rapidly fell to three-decade lows after the referendum, though it has since regained some ground.

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URBAN ETIQUETTE ELLEN VANSTONE

THE QUESTION

Now that my friend is married, she won't have dinner or coffee with me until after she's gone home to make dinner for her husband. How do I tell her that she's going overboard?

Hello Ellen,

Since my friend's recent marriage, she only wants to meet after dinner around 8 or 9. I try to convince her to meet for dinner, or a quick coffee after work, but she says she has to go home and cook for her husband. I'm all for cooking for your husband and so on (least feminist person here) and I'm getting married soon, but it seems silly and unreasonable! Yes, your marriage comes first, but you need to have hobbies and friends separate from your partner. How do I tell my friend without insulting her that her husband can fend for himself for one evening?

Signed,
Desperate for advice

Dear Desperate,

I'm sorry to hear you do not consider yourself a feminist, since you clearly believe in the crazy feminist notion that non-male persons are just as entitled to their own hobbies and friends as male persons are, and that male persons are actually capable of feeding themselves when left alone.

Perhaps you don't understand that "feminism" is simply the belief that all humans deserve to be treated with equal respect and opportunity. Or perhaps as a non-feminist you actually think "women's work" is less valuable than men's; and that a woman doing the same job as a man should be paid less. Or perhaps as a non-feminist you think that the laws of man and nature dictate that you are inferior to your future husband in a moral, physical, or some other fundamental way, and thus you fully plan to submit to his every wish and command throughout your marriage in matters that do not include your hobbies and friends. Well, good luck to you, I say.

If she's simply madly in love and can't stand being away from her guy during the honeymoon phase, rest assured this period will end soon.

In the meantime, I absolutely agree with you that your friend is misguided if she thinks a good marriage depends on cutting off old friends at the dinner hour. But before you barge in and tell her this, my advice is to hold your tongue until you know exactly what's going on.

If she's simply madly in love and can't stand being away from her guy during the honeymoon phase, rest assured this period will end soon enough, so why not let her enjoy it while it lasts?

If she's one of those odious people who think couple activities automatically trump plans with socially undesirable singletons, there's no point in saying everything, ever. Do your couple thing with her once you're married too, but remember how you felt being rejected as a single "date" and try to be more courteous toward your own single friends.

If she's being bullied into rushing home and slaving over a hot stove for a tyrant, but she's too ashamed to tell you, then what she needs right now is your non-judgmental support. If and when she opens up, you can then offer help rather than a lecture.

Keep in mind that it's also possible her husband is making her breakfast in bed every day, then packing her a nutritious three-course lunch, in which case you might consider that her making dinner is merely part of a sweet deal.

Please also consider your ideas of what a feminist is, because you — as a loyal, concerned friend and an independent thinker and a self-respecting human being who believes in open and honest communication — sure sound like one to me.

Need advice?
Email Ellen:
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ROSEMARY WESTWOOD

In 2016, women are still second-class sexual citizens

It's not hard to see why women might think their genitals are dirty.

Our anatomy doesn't get half the cultural love or metaphorical dominance of the penis.

Even the word vagina is somehow taboo. Add to that the ubiquity of women's pubic-hair grooming — shaving, waxing, dying, bedazzling — and it seems that if anyone's sexuality needs to be made pretty, it's women's. Nevermind that our species has been knocking boots for centuries without nary a shower in sight: In a survey published in the journal JAMA Dermatology last week, 84 per cent of women said they groom, and 59 per cent cited the main reason as "hygiene."

As doctors in one New York Times article noted, that is ridiculous. Aside from some daily soap action, women's genitals don't need to be made clean. And it's hard not to read myriad sexual hang-ups into the suggestion that they would be.

It seems come-as-you-are sexuality still belongs mostly to men, whom western culture has deemed the gold standard for good times in bed. In her new book, Closer: Notes from the Orgasmic Frontier of Female Sexuality, Sarah Barmak has attempted to define this new place, where sex is omnipresent, but the actual sex we're having isn't always that great. The ho-hum reality is that 40 per cent of women in a large 2013 British survey said they're low on sex drive. More than half reported some kind of sexual discomfort or dysfunction.

Men's sex lives obviously aren't perfect, Barmak told me during a conversation for my podcast, Nth Wave, but women are, according to the data, having less of a good time. (She noted the 2015 Vanity Fair Tinder story where women complained the popular app was a great way to have a ton of unsatisfying sex.)

In her book, Barmak takes a wide look at this: historically imbalanced science in which studies on women's sexuality trail men's by three to one; the real physiological complexity of women's sexual organs; grassroots efforts — like orgasm workshops and clit-stroking meditation — that seek to re-centre women's pleasure, if only in the lives of women themselves.

The book is a "provocation, a poke, food for further thought," she notes, incomplete by nature since a comprehensive exploration of sexual identities and preferences would take at least a few more books.

But every poke in the right direction is a good one. There's no one single, normal way to be sexual, she concludes. My amendment: As long as you're truly feeling good about you.

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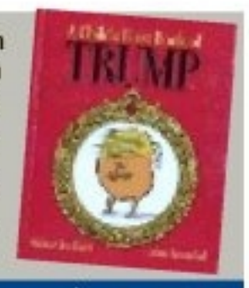

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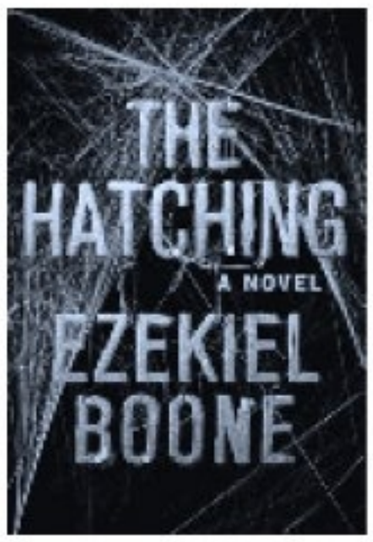
'There was clearly something wrong'



Looking for a good summer read to take to the beach or the cottage? Well, hopefully you aren't arachnophobic.

Set over the period of a week, Ezekial Boone's **The Hatching** — out Tuesday from Random House — is the hair-raising tale of ancient and vicious flesh-eating spiders that return to terrorize the world.

In this excerpt, agent Mike Rich is called by the director of the FBI to investigate a mysteriously downed plane.

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Frantic, he ran the light on the wall and then the ceiling, then across Henderson's face and torso and down the burnt flesh and exposed bones of Henderson's leg. And there. Relief. The spider. On the ground.

It was moving slowly. Mike knew it wasn't the right word for an eight-legged thing, but it looked as if the spider was limping. He squinted and leaned over.

There was clearly something wrong with the bug — two of its legs weren't moving and it was dragging its body along the ground. Maybe it had been injured in the crash or gotten burned too? Mike shook his head. Who cared what happened to the spider? The only question that mattered was, how the f— had it gotten into Henderson's head?

Except, Mike realized, as he watched the spider dragging its body across the floor, the question that was bothering him the most was, why in all of the angels of mercy was the spider coming toward him? Because it was absolutely headed toward him. It wasn't trying to get away or hide or even oblivious of Mike. It wasn't doing any of the things that to Mike, in his limited experience with creepy crawlies, seemed natural.

No, it was clearly moving in his direction.

Mike tried stepping to the side, and the spider changed its line, angling toward him again. Mike took another step to the side and banged into the table that was next to Henderson's chair, and again, the spider changed its bearing. Mike started to reach for his gun, but he quickly realized that shooting a spider might be overkill.

He started to psych himself up to just squash the thing with his foot — it might be big and hairy and incredibly creepy what with the eating its way out of Henderson's face and then making a beeline for Mike, but it was still something he could stomp on — when the spider stopped moving on a dark spot on the floor.

It took Mike a second to understand what the spider was doing.

The dark spot on the floor was blood. He looked at the suit jacket wrapped around his hand and saw a drop of blood fall to the floor.

He had been bleeding on the floor.

The dark spot on the floor was his blood.

And as near as he could tell, the spider appeared to be feeding.

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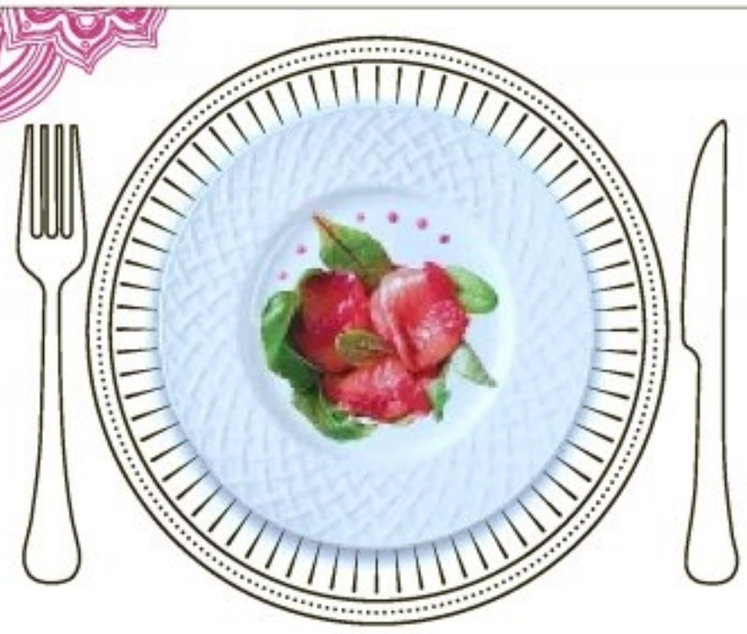
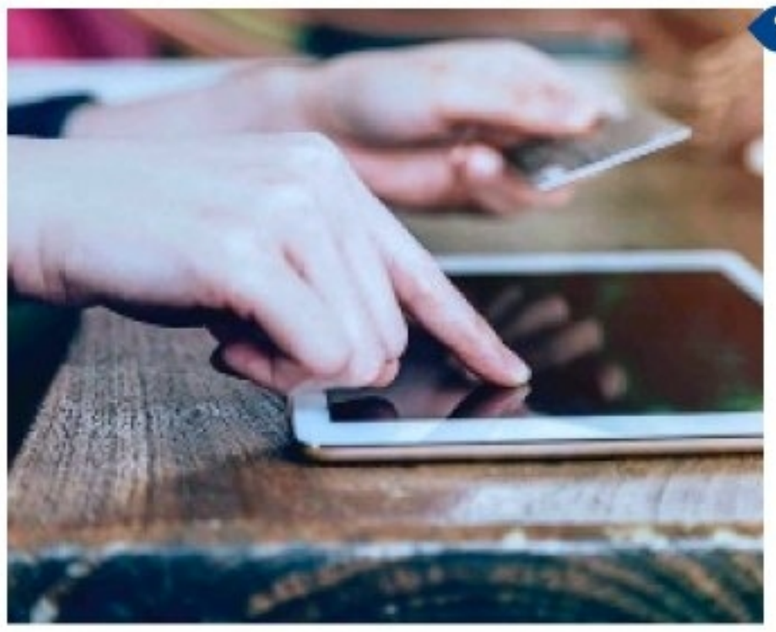


5 TIPS FOR PROPERLY USING YOUR CREDIT CARDS

Gail Vaz-Oxlade
For Metro Canada

If you've been avoiding a credit card because you see it as a step on the road to debt hell, let me assure you that the tool isn't the problem. It's how you use it that's the issue. I'm a fan of credit cards, particularly for people who are trying to establish a credit history. If you want to stay on the right side of balance sheet when it comes to using credit cards, make sure you follow these 5 rules



1 Pay your bill in full every month

As long as you're using credit to establish a credit history and for convenience, you're fine. The minute you start carrying a balance it means you're spending money you have not yet earned. If you don't have the self-discipline to pay your credit card balance off in full and on time every single month then don't use a credit card. It's that simple. Denying your nature will get you in a lot of debt and a heap of misery.

2 Choose a card that gives back

You don't have to pay an annual fee to get a card that earns you rewards. Whether you earn points to buy groceries or you get cash back, that's money you don't have to earn. Since rewards cards usually have higher interest rates, don't be stupid and carry a balance or you'll more than negate the benefits.

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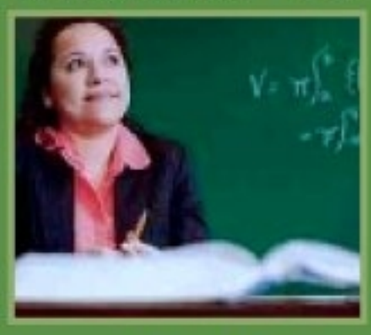

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It's so easy to just whip out a card and — cachunk cachunk — charge it. If you don't track your spending you could be surprised by a credit card bill that's higher than you can afford to repay come the due date. Keep track of where your money is going each time you spend — whether you use cash or a credit card — so you're always shopping consciously.

4 Review your credit card statement every month

It's not enough to just pay the bill. Comparing the charges that have come through on your statement with those you noted in your spending journal is the only way you'll know if you've been overcharged, if your account has been fraudulently used, or if you've been charged in error.

5 Check your credit history

You should do this at least once a year. You can get a free credit report from each of Equifax and TransUnion just by writing in to request it. Look for errors or signs of ID theft. Make sure that if you find an error you get it corrected lickety-split. And you'll have to follow-up and follow-up. Don't assume the other guy is looking out for your best interests. It may take several calls to get an issue cleared up.

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In his first start since winning the U.S. Open, Dustin Johnson closed with a 4-under 66 to win the Bridgestone Invitational

France has no chill

EURO 2016
QUARTER-FINALS

Host finds ruthless attack to oust Iceland

SUNDAY In Saint-Denis

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Olivier Giroud scored two goals to lead France to an emphatic 5-2 victory over Iceland on Sunday, sending the hosts into a European Championship semifinal against Germany.

It was a humbling but far from embarrassing exit for Iceland, which was playing in its first-ever international tournament and progressed much further than expected.

The French, though, have discovered their attacking ruthlessness just in time for their first semifinal in a decade on Thursday in Marseille.

"We have a lot of desire to get our own back for what happened at the World Cup," Giroud said of the quarter-final loss to eventual champion Germany two years ago.

Giroud, who was booed by the team's fans in May, is proving to be an essential component of Les Bleus, netting the opener and heading in France's fifth goal in the second half at the Stade de France.

And he was clearly glad to be popular again with the supporters.

"I am delighted for the players as they deserve this, and for these fans who have been behind us for months," the Arsenal striker said through a translator. "To be able to offer them something to make them smile and feel happy ... I'm delighted about that."

Giroud helped to set up goals for Dimitri Payet and Antoine Griezmann, while Paul Pogba also scored in the first half for France, whose previous goals at Euro 2016 had all come after the break.

"I felt really good physically right from the start," Giroud said. "We are used to making bad starts ... but we were very clinical which is nice from a personal perspective."

The night began with rain descending on the field and the Viking slow capping ritual, with its "Huh" chant, booming around the stadium from the Iceland fans.

Olivier Giroud, second from left, heads the ball for France's fifth goal against Iceland on Sunday. MIKE HEWITT/GETTY IMAGES

France wasn't going to have its home stadium to itself and Gylfi Sigurdsson even had the game's first shot although it was easily saved by France captain Hugo Lloris.

But inspirational chants and a strong team ethic only take a team so far. This was a night of French superiority; when stature and skill of the hosts was too mighty to curb.

Kolbeinn Sigthorsson and Birkir Bjarnason provided the goals for Iceland.

"Iceland didn't give up at any stage," Giroud said. "They were a very valiant and determined side who kept on going until the end."

And its fans remained chanting in their seats long after the final whistle, taking in the surroundings.

It was an enchanting tournament debut by Iceland, drawing against Poland before eliminating England — an achievement that will be remembered along with the feats of the new European champion, to be crowned back at the Stade de France next Sunday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SEMIFINALS

Wednesday
Portugal vs. Wales
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Germany vs. France

BMO FIELD

TFC coach praises condition of pitch

In the wake of hosting international rugby and CFL football, BMO Field's pitch got a thumbs up from Toronto FC coach Greg Vanney after his MLS team returned home.

"I thought it was very good," Vanney said after Toronto's 1-1 tie with the Seattle Sounders on Saturday night.

"Usually I take my cues on whether the guys are complaining or not complaining. I didn't hear one word about it," he added. "It looked to play great. The ball rolled nicely."

Vanney said the pre-game report from the groundskeepers was that the field was in good condition and while there were a few areas where the grass was thin, they likely wouldn't notice it.

"I'd say we probably didn't notice it," said Vanney.

Some soccer fans, unhappy at seeing a soccer-specific stadium open to yet more sports, expressed concern prior to the season that the arrival of the CFL's Argonauts would take its toll on the grass surface.

The stadium has been put through its paces recently with the Argonauts' home opener on June 23, followed by Canada-Italy rugby on June 26.

During the rugby game, three days after the Argonauts' opener, there was noticeable wear on the west side of the field where the CFL benches were. But that section of the field looked close to pristine six days later for TFC's game.

There was also no signs of the lines for football or rugby. Groundskeepers started to erase the extraneous lines minutes after the rugby test match ended. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Toronto FC played to a 1-1 draw with Seattle on Saturday. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

BASKETBALL

Canucks 'focused' on Olympic qualifier

Cleveland Cavaliers centre Tristan Thompson, Toronto Raptors guard Cory Joseph and Detroit Pistons forward Joel Anthony were all named to Canada's 12-man roster on Sunday for the six-team Olympic qualifying tournament.

Canada went 4-1 in a European exhibition tournament, taking on China, Croatia, Italy and Puerto Rico. Joseph and Anthony joined the group for the June 29th win over Puerto Rico, and Thompson met the team in Manila, Philippines, where the qualifying tournament begins on Tuesday.

Tristan Thompson
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"Our goal is to qualify for the Olympics," said head coach Jay Triano. "We are focused on one practice at a time and one game at a time." THE CANADIAN PRESS

NBA

Rondo joins Bulls: Source

Rajon Rondo has a new beginning in Chicago, and the Bulls have a new starting point guard.

The four-time all-star agreed Sunday on a $30-million, two-year deal, a person with knowledge of the negotiations told The Associated Press.

Rondo had at least 10 assists in 51 of his 72 games with the Kings last season, including two games where he finished with 20. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LPGA

Henderson repeats title win in Portland

Brooke Henderson survived some tense moments on the back nine on the way to defending her title at the LPGA Cambia Portland Classic on Sunday and a four-stroke victory.

The second-ranked Henderson, from Smiths Falls, Ont., shot a 14-under 274 after a final round 71 at Columbia Edgewater Country Club, pulling away from American Stacy Lewis, who was 10-under after a 69.

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It was Henderson's third career win — she also won the Women's PGA Championship three weeks ago.

Henderson, 18, became the first back-to-back winner at Portland since Annika Sorenstam won consecutive tournaments in 2002 and 2003.

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Jays bats produce fireworks

Troy Tulowitzki drove in four runs on Sunday, three of which came on a sixth-inning home run. ANDREW LAHODYNSKYJ/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

MLB

Happ takes care of Indians on the mound for his 11th win

With the Toronto Blue Jays bullpen still reeling from a Canada Day marathon, the club needed another deep outing on Sunday from their starter.

J.A. Happ delivered by pitching seven innings of one-run ball while allowing five hits and striking out a season-high 11 in a 17-1 thumping of the Cleveland Indians at Rogers Centre.

The 33-year-old retired 11 straight after allowing a first inning double to Cleveland's Jason Kipnis.

"Today, a crucial game, we needed a good outing," Blue Jays manager John Gibbons said. "We were pretty banged up, didn't have a whole lot in the bullpen.

"He's grown into a little more of a power pitcher, made some adjustments and now he's a really, really good pitcher."

The win improved Happ's season record to 11-3 — the most wins by a Toronto pitcher before the all-star break since Roy Halladay had 11 in 2008.

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The Indians (49-32) finally got to Happ in the seventh when Yan Gomes broke up the shutout with an RBI single.

It didn't matter much as Toronto's bats pounded the ball all afternoon. The 17 runs scored were the most by the Jays since Aug. 7, 2010, when they routed the Tampa Bay Rays 17-11.

The win also gave Toronto (45-39) a four-game series split with the Indians.

Russell Martin got the offence started in the first by taking Corey Kluber's 2-1 pitch over the centre-field wall for a three-run home run, his seventh homer of the season.

Ahead 5-0, Troy Tulowitzki added to Toronto's lead in the sixth, taking a Tom Gorzelanny pitch into the second deck for a three-run shot — his 14th long ball of the year.

Ezequiel Carrera, Michael Saunders, Martin and Josh Donaldson each delivered RBI singles in the sixth while Edwin Encarnacion scored Carrera on a ground rule double as Toronto put up a season-high eight runs in one inning.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Edwin Encarnacion exchanges words with umpire Vic Carapazza on Friday. THE CANADIAN PRESS

NOTES

Estrada's ailing back

Marco Estrada could miss his scheduled start against the Detroit Tigers on Thursday due to a lower back injury. The right-hander battled through the injury for five innings on Saturday afternoon, surrendering three earned runs on five hits while striking out seven in the Blue Jays' 9-6 win.

Encarnacion's penalty

Edwin Encarnacion was suspended and fined by Major League Baseball earlier Sunday for making contact with an umpire in Friday's 2-1 loss to Cleveland, but the punishment was held in abeyance when he appealed the league's decision.

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Ceri Marsh & Laura Keogh
For Metro Canada

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Prep time: 5 minutes
Cook time: 15 minutes

Ingredients
- 1 pound halibut fillets
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- 1/4 tsp ground coriander
- 1/2 tsp ground cumin
- 1 tsp ground garlic
- 1/4 tsp pepper
- 1/2 tsp salt, divided
- 6 to 8 small corn tortillas
- 1 cup diced strawberries
- 1 cup watermelon cubes, diced
- 1/4 cup diced red onion
- 1 Tbsp lemon juice
- 1 Tbsp fresh chopped cilantro
- 1 avocado, sliced for garnish

Directions

1. Preheat the oven to 450 degrees. Place fish on the pan and give each piece a coating of oil.

2. In a small bowl, whisk the coriander, cumin, garlic, pepper and a 1/4 teaspoon of the salt. Sprinkle the fillet with the mixture to coat.

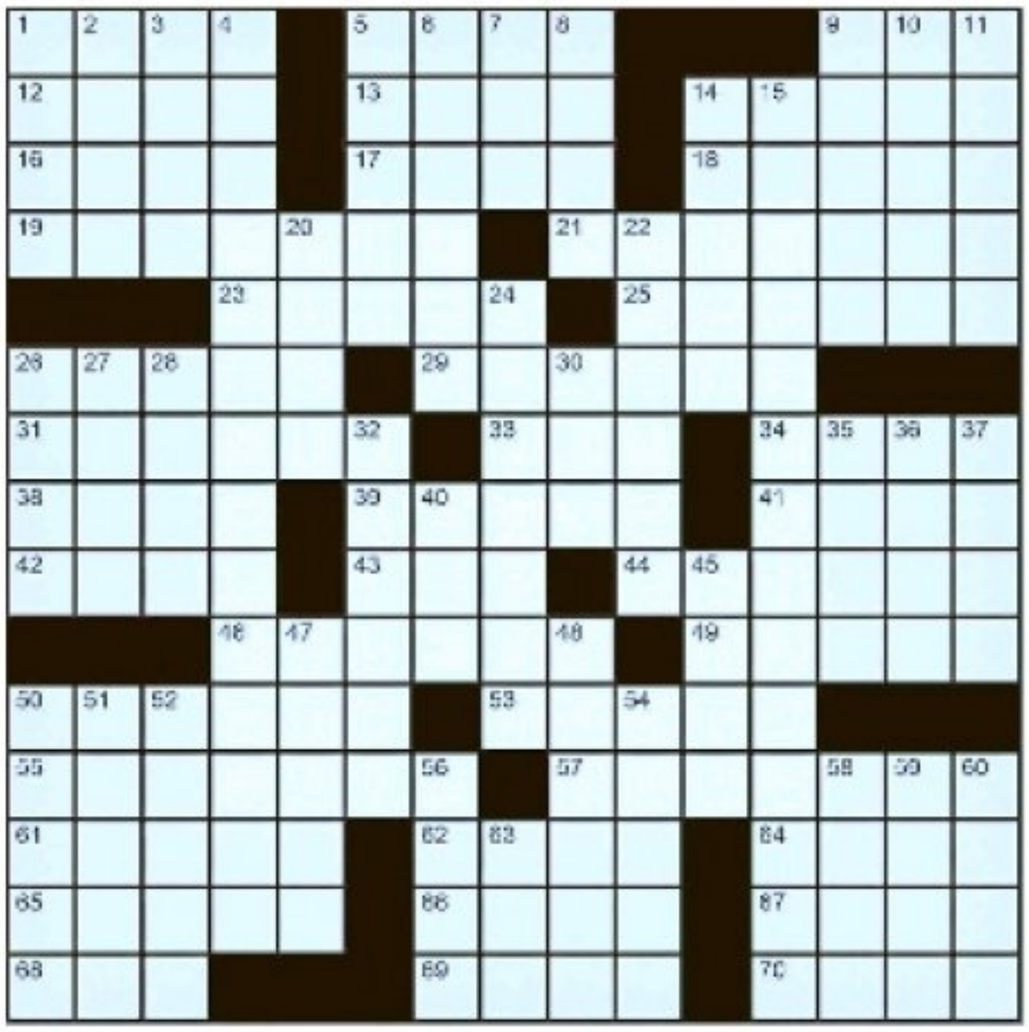
3. Cook the fish until it's opaque and the meat flakes with a fork (10 to 15 minutes). Wrap a stack of tortillas in a moist towel and place in a casserole dish and cover with a lid or aluminium foil. Place in the oven for 10 minutes to warm.

4. In a bowl, mix strawberries, watermelon, onion and lemon juice. Sprinkle with the cilantro and remaining 1/4 tsp of salt and toss.

5. Serve fish flaked into large pieces with tortillas, salsa and slices of avocado.

CROSSWORD Canada Across and Down

BY KELLY ANN BUCHANAN



ACROSS
1. City in Normandy in France where Canadians saw action in WWII
5. Stupefy
9. Evita's land, for short
12. Mr. Nova (Canadian singer/guitarist)
13. One of Frank Sinatra's kids
14. Khloe K.'s on-again-off-again beau
16. Mork's greeting, partially
17. Perched on
18. French writer Mr. Zola
19. Hard labour
21. "Roxy Roller" by Canadian band _ Todd
23. Venerated villager
25. Throughout
26. Extract metal from ore
29. Mount Parnassus overlooks this 'oracle' city in Greece
31. Lionel Richie and Adele hit titles
33. Agnus _ (Lamb of God)
34. Kind of fish
38. Strait of Belle _
39. Space object
41. Chill
42. Flowers display
43. "_ Tree Hill"
44. Baseball game division
46. Felix _, Canadian electronica producer
49. "_ of God" (1985)
50. Breakfast _
53. Trunk
55. Hang in there!
57. Justin _ (Nanaimo, British Columbia born star of the show at #15-Down)
61. Dispatch boat
62. Travelling
64. Arctic _ (Northern-hopping critter)
65. "Dracula Has _ from the Grave" (1968)
66. Serene
67. Doctrines
68. Cup o' Earl Grey stirrer
69. Leg point
70. Discuss

DOWN
1. Isn't able
2. Banned orchard spray
3. John Diefenbaker's first wife
4. Nova Scotia ...en francais
5. Formally boring
6. Like Sirs and Dames
7. Card game
8. Falls asleep at work
9. _ acid
10. Stethoscope sounds
11. "_ Anatomy"
14. Bloodsucker
15. Grant Wood painting of 1930 sharing the name of a new show on Global TV: 2 wds.
20. _ sax
22. Elk
24. Beef, for example: 2 wds.
26. Switchblade
27. Colorado's _ Verde National Park
28. Building wings
30. Tommy Jones link
32. Gets goals
35. Once more ...Western film style
36. Old Scandinavian symbol
37. Nails down
40. Gravenhurst's prov.
45. Shuttle mission org.
47. Airplane: French
48. Vicinity
50. Isolated
51. Mr. Strauss' pants
52. Coffee _ (Canuck treat)
54. Emulate Drake in song
56. Fasten to the bulletin board
58. Launder
59. "_ la Douce" (1963)
60. 'Building' in the branches
63. Obi-_ Kenobi

IT'S ALL IN THE STARS Your daily horoscope by Francis Drake

Aries March 21 - April 20
This is the best day of the year to think about how you can improve your home. Also, what can you do to improve your relations with family members?

Taurus April 21 - May 21
Think about your style of communicating with others today. What can you do to have clearer communication with everyone?

Gemini May 22 - June 21
Today's New Moon is the only New Moon all year urging you to think about how to better handle your money and your belongings. Do you take care of what you have?

Cancer June 22 - July 23
Take a realistic look in the mirror and ask yourself what you can do to improve the image you create in your world. How can you look better in the eyes of others?

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23
This is a good day to think of your spiritual values. Each New Moon is a chance to make resolutions about how to improve your life.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
Are you happy with the friends you have? Remember that your friends will influence your mind, which makes the choices that create your future.

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
This is the only New Moon all year urging you to examine your relationship to authority figures — parents, bosses, teachers and VIPs. How can you improve these relationships?

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
What further education or training will help you in your job? What travel might help you to expand your world?

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
What can you do to work to get out of debt and feel more financially secure? This is the perfect day to ponder this and decide to take action.

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
For a relationship to be successful, you must be as good for your partner as he or she is for you. Do you have this kind of relationship with your partner or a close friend?

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
What can you do to improve your health? Likewise, what can you do to improve your job or how you do your job? Today's New Moon is the perfect day to think about this.

Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
It's important to play as well as work. Today's New Moon urges you to consider the balance you have between play and work in your life. Is it a healthy balance?

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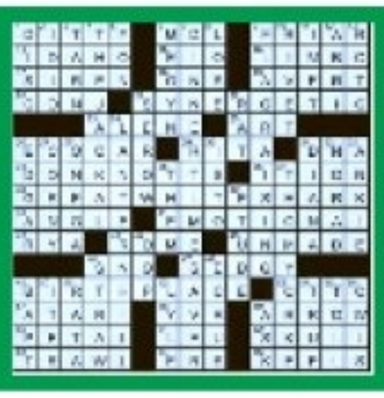

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2nd Property made $52,865
3rd Property made $100,105
Total of $190,298 in profit in 6 months. Since then...
2 Cash Flow properties at $2,500/mth

JOHN COOKSEY

Attended Bus Tour Sept 2014
4 Properties purchased first 6 mths
1st Flip - profit $5,000
2nd Flip - profit $8,000
1 in construction - estimated profit $80,000
1 Commercial Property (4 commercial spaces, 17 residential) - estimated Cash Flow $34,000/mth
1 Purchased Duplex - $800/mth

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